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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Toru Ishii, et al

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For: PUNCHING APPARATUS AND THE PUNCHING UNIT THEREOF

AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

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Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed November 8, 2002 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

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